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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, PINS, CASC, CO
SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER

SITREP 3

1. ALTHOUGH DEPUTY BRIGADE COMMANDER ON THE SCENE HAS CONCLUDED THAT STARR KIDNAPPED BY FARC (SITREP 2), CHIEF OF MILITARY INTELLIGENCE HERE IN BOGOTA IS TAKING POSITION THAT (A) STARR WAS PRESENT AT TIME OF FARC ATTACK, (B) HE HAS SINCE DISAPPEARED AND (C) HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN.

2. WE HAVE NOW ESTABLISHED THAT SITE OF THE ATTACK WAS NOT IN MACARENA MOUNTAINS AS ORIGINALLY REPORTED IN SITREP 1 BUT IN VILLAGE OF LA MACARENA WHICH IS SOUTH OF MOUNTAINS AT APPROXIMATELY 2 DEGREE 20 MINUTES NORTH LATITUDE AND 74 DEGREES 10 MINUTES WEST LONGITUDE. THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS STATIONED IN AND ABOUT THIS VILLAGE OVER PAST TWO YEARS AND THEIR PRESENCE WAS WELL-KNOWN, PRESUMABLY ALSO TO FARC. (THERE ARE NO OTHER VOLUNTEERS THERE NOW.) MOREOVER, WE HAVE REPORT FROM OFFICIAL OF COLOMBIAN AGENCY TO WHICH STARR ASSIGNED THAT FARC ATTACK WAS CENTERED ON THE CABIN OF THAT AGENCY, WHERE STARR WAS STAYING.

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3. AMBASSADOR CONTACTED FOREIGN MINISTER LIEVANO AROUND 9:15 THIS MORNING, EXPRESSED USG CONCERN AND CITED GOC'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROTECTION OF AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND OTHER CITIZENS IN COLOMBIA. LIEVANO ASSURED AMBASSADOR THAT GOC RECOGNIZED, AND WOULD DISCHARGE, THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES.
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